

Savannah State College

Savannah, Georgia

The One Hundred-Seventeenth Commencement



Lux et Veritas

June Fourth

Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Eight

Two-Thirty P.M.

Savannah Civic Center Theater

Order of Procession

THE CHIEF MARSHAL
THE CLASS MARSHALS
CANDIDATES FOR THE BACCALAUREATE DEGREE
INSTRUCTORS OF THE COLLEGE
ASSISTANT PROFESSORS OF THE COLLEGE
ASSOCIATE PROFESSORS OF THE COLLEGE
PROFESSORS OF THE COLLEGE
PROFESSORS EMERITI
THE PRESIDENTIAL PARTY

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ACADEMIC MACE

Observing the centuries-old convocation procedures, each Marshal in the Savannah State College Academic Procession carries an official mace which is indicative of the power, dignity, and *magisterium* vested in the College. The mace is a club-shaped staff which originated in the Middle Ages as a weapon. Eventually, it gained a ceremonial character and is presently employed most often by legislative forums and academic enterprises.

The official mace of Savannah State College was designed and made from mahogany wood by Dr. Ernest S. Brown, Assistant Professor of Industrial Education. Dr. Lester B. Johnson, Head of the Department of Engineering Technology, designed and built the Mace Stand.

The College motto is "*Lux Et Veritas*" ("Light and Truth").

ORDER OF EXERCISES

*ACADEMIC PROCESSION: "*Pomp and Circumstance*" Sir Edward Elgar
James Thompson, Jr., M.M.Ed., Organist

INVOCATION The Reverend Edgar P. Quarterman, M.Div.
Pastor, Second Baptist Church

SELECTION: "*Great and Glorious Is the Name of the Lord*" Clarence Dickinson
Savannah State College Concert Choir
Butler Presbyterian Church Choir, Guest Choir
James Thompson, Jr., Conductor
Brass Ensemble - Samuel Gill, M.A., Conductor

INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER Clyde W. Hall, Ed.D., Acting President

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS Albert N. Thompson, J.D.
Georgia State Representative
Columbus, Georgia

SELECTION: "*Ride On King Jesus*" Arr. Robert De Cormier
Savannah State College Concert Choir
Butler Presbyterian Church Choir, Guest Choir

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR
THE BACCALAUREATE DEGREES Thomas H. Byers, Ph.D.
Dean of the College

Division of Business Administration Mary C. Torian, Ed.D.
Division of Education Thelma M. Harmond, Ph.D.
Division of Humanities Luetta C. Milledge, Ph.D.
Division of Natural Sciences Margaret C. Robinson, Ph.D.
Division of Social Sciences Isaiah McIver, Ph.D.
Division of Technical Sciences Lester B. Johnson, Jr., Ph.D.

ALUMNI INDUCTION Earl Brown, J.D.
President, Savannah State College National Alumni Association
Columbia, South Carolina

PRESENTATION OF N.R.O.T.C. CANDIDATES
FOR COMMISSION Commander Alvin Catalano
Commanding Officer, Savannah State College N.R.O.T.C.

ADMINISTERING THE OATH OF OFFICE Commander Alvin Catalano

PRAYER FOR THE NEW OFFICERS: "*Veni Sancte Spiritus*" Reverend P. A. Patterson, S.T.M.
Pastor, Butler Presbyterian Church

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVANNAH STATE COLLEGE HYMN

BENEDICTION The Reverend Samuel Williams, M.Div.
College Minister

SEVEN-FOLD AMEN

**RECESSIONAL: "*Pomp and Circumstance*" Sir Edward Elgar
James Thompson, Jr., Organist

*The audience is requested to remain seated.

**The audience is requested to remain seated until the procession has exited.

Baccalaureate Degrees Conferred

DIVISION OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Accounting

Brown, Barbara Ann	Savannah
Holsey, Orpheus Eugene, Jr.	Savannah
Gannaway, Carlton W., II	Atlanta
†Johnson, Patricia Ann	Savannah
Mitchell, Edsel Ernie	Savannah
Morrow, Darryl Steve	Albany
Smith, Delores Ann	Lexington

General Business Administration

Ballard, Lawrence	Savannah
*Boatright, Renty Odell	Metter
Brown, Sylvester	Savannah
Emmett, E. L. Stephens	Savannah
Fletcher, John Wesley	Swainsboro
Gadson, Juliette	Savannah
Gordon, Shelia	Savannah
*Greatheart, Mary Elizabeth	Jesup
Greene, Allen	Savannah
Greene, Anthony C.	Barnesville
Lawrence, Angela L.	Savannah
Levett, Sharon Denise	Savannah
Martin, Eleanor R.	Savannah
Noble, Terry Louis	Elberton
Odell, Deborah S.	Savannah
Quarterman, George, Jr.	Savannah
Robbins, Richard L.	Savannah
Roberts, Milton	Riceboro
Smith, Vera J.	Charleston, South Carolina
Timmons, Clealice	Claxton
Williams, Horace, Jr.	East Orange, New Jersey

Marketing & Management

Burns, Veda Elaine	Savannah
Boles, Winfred Darryl	Fitzgerald
Green, Tonya Marva	Savannah
Moore, Samuel Kermit, II	Glenwood
Patillo, Addie	Savannah
Wynn, Michael	Swainsboro

Office Administration

Cobb, Sheila	Cordele
Goethie, Mary A.	Baxley
Grubbs, Sarah E.	Twin City
Selmon, Louis	Savannah

DIVISION OF EDUCATION

Elementary Education

Allen, Linda G.	Savannah
Arkwright, Nonie B.	Savannah
Brown, Helen Louise	Beaufort, South Carolina
Brown, Margaret S.	Savannah
Fields, Betty Lynette	Savannah
Foston, Linda Annice	Milledgeville
Frazier, Gail Monica	Savannah
Green, Willie T.	Savannah
*Hunter, Judy	Savannah
James, Cynthia	Atlanta
Jefferson, Gwendolyn	East Dublin
Jones, Rossalyn V.	Macon
Lee, Marva K.	Blakely
*Mayo, Patricia H.	Wrens
*Mumford, Virginia Sheffield	Savannah
Reese, Eleanor Lynett	Guyton
Sams, Eugenia White	Savannah
Small, Beverly E.	Savannah
Washington, Rose M.	Savannah
Williams, Barbara Aiken	Savannah
Williams, Etta H.	Savannah
Williams, Vertell D.	Savannah
Wilson, Malvina	Townsend

SECONDARY EDUCATION

Art Education

Cooper, Marilyn E.	Savannah
Herring, Ava C.	Savannah
*Hill, Marvin R.	Perry

Business Education

Bacon, Lucille S.	Townsend
Pickett, Barbara S.	Boston
Porter, Debra W.	Savannah
Riley, Pearl Chance	Savannah
Tate, Lois Armstrong	Brunswick

Biology Education

Hall, Jesse Allen Johnston, South Carolina

English Education

Allmond, Monica Louise Savannah
Merkerson, Gayle Denise Atlanta
*Ores, Barbara Jean Savannah
Tindal, Raymond Franklin Savannah

Physical Education

Camp, Timothy Clarkston
Larkins, Deborah Zeporah Thomasville
Slocum, Robert Macon
*Stevens, Kelsey Savannah
Williams, Ronald Leon Savannah

Industrial Arts Education

Aaron, Jimmy Lee Macon
Horton, Steven L. Savannah Beach
Roughen, Albert Hugh Savannah
Smith, Bertram Cornell Macon

Music Education

Albright, Ruth E. Savannah
Crawford, Gerald Savannah

Social Studies Education

Fletcher, Raymond, Jr. Newport News, Virginia
Grant, Beverly Hymon Savannah
Jackson, Adrian Iverson Savannah
Owens, Willie L. Savannah
Saxby, Oliver, Jr. Savannah
Williams, Deborah L. Savannah

Spanish Education

Robertson, Melba A. Puerto Cortes, Honduras, C.A.

DIVISION OF HUMANITIES

English Literature & Language

Plummer, Carol R. Savannah

DIVISION OF NATURAL SCIENCES

Biology

Burns, Vera E.	Savannah
McClure, Sheila A.	Temple
Pelote, Miriam	Savannah
*Poitier, Pamela	Pelham
Wright, Garry C.	Glenwood

Chemistry

Jones, Leonard B.	Keysville
Kent, Merylyn.	Guyton
Lane, Ray C.	Wrens
Mikell, Valerie	Los Angeles, Calif.
†Miller, Sheryl.	Savannah
Morgan, Helen	Tifton

Mathematics

Jackson, Anita	Savannah
Sermons, Lawana.	Baxley
Smulevitz, Marvin	Savannah

Medical Technology

Thompson, Mary B.	Savannah
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DIVISION OF SOCIAL SCIENCE

Criminal Justice

Anderson, Wendell.	Swainsboro
Blackwell, Roderick	Waynesboro
Cowart, John, Jr.	Savannah
Curtis, William	Valley Lee, Maryland
Davis, Frederick	Savannah
Freeman, David A.	Savannah
Futch, Articia.	West Palm Beach, Florida
Jackson, Jacquelyn	Savannah
Lewis, Donnell.	Statesboro
Owens, Allynne	Savannah
Parker, Jimmy.	Savannah
Pierce, Dorsey M.	Sylvania
Small, Nathaniel	Savannah
Smith, Cheryl	Savannah
Taylor, Jennifer.	Augusta
Welch, Eric A.	Savannah

History

†Jones, Beryl W.	Savannah
†Welch, Reginald	Savannah

Social Work

Brown, Benjamin	Savannah
Oswell, Cheryl A.	Savannah
Smith, Linda Gail	Savannah
Thomas, Betsy Boyd	Savannah
Wingster, Patricia	Savannah

Sociology

Bryant, Raleigh, III	Savannah
Hurt, Danny Edward	Savannah

DIVISION OF TECHNICAL SCIENCES

ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

Civil Engineering Technology

Rusden, Michael	Savannah
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Electronics Engineering Technology

Curry, Danny T.	Savannah
†Grant, Gregory	Savannah
†Johnson, Byron Dale	Athens
†Joseph, Larry V.	Savannah
*Kenny, Danny Lee	Savannah
Kheradmandi, Farhad	Shiraz, Persia
Miller, Mario Ivan	Savannah
*Watson, Nathaniel	Savannah

Mechanical Engineering Technology

Campbell, Samuel	Millen
Cox, Roy Lee	Savannah
White, Kelly	Richmond Hill
*Willis, Demetrius	Atlanta

† Cooperative Education Program.

*In absentia

NOTE: Appearance of a name on any list in this program must not be considered as conclusive evidence of graduation. Persons who have met all requirements for a particular degree and whose names appear on this program will receive the degree indicated.

THE JOINT GRADUATE STUDIES PROGRAM
Savannah State College—Armstrong State College

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN BIOLOGY

Irene G. Hines	B.S.	Savannah State College	1969
John Patrick Noisworthy	B.S.	Memphis State University	1970

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Frank D. Black	B.S.	Iowa State University	1968
Howard Roland Boyd	B.A.	Armstrong State College	1969
*Woodrow Alson Crick	B.S.	Arkansas State University	1969
Ashley Alan Ginn	B.A.	University of Georgia	1973
Clarence F. Haynes, Jr.	B.A.	Armstrong State College	1975
Charles Thomas Johnson	B.A.	Thiel College	1973
Charles Thomas Orne, III	B.A.	Armstrong State College	1969
Steve Pyles	B.S.	Virginia Polytechnic Institute	1970
Harold Clark Sims, II	B.A.	Armstrong State College	1968

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN CHEMISTRY

Emma G. Bush	B.S.	Savannah State College	1960
Linda P. Calloway	B.S.	Savannah State College	1975

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Lucy Smith Brannen	A.B.	Vassar College	1964
Marilyn H. Cook	M.Ed.	Savannah State/Armstrong State	1973
Mary C. Dietrick	B.S.	Illinois State University	1969
Octavia Marie Jackson	B.S.	Savannah State College	1951
Nellie Wallace	B.S.	Savannah State College	1970
Lee R. Walter	B.A.	Concordia Teacher's College	1974
Lillian Richardson Washington	B.S.	Savannah State College	1972

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Jettie M. Adams	B.S.	Savannah State College	1956
Madelyn Carol Atkins	B.Ed.	University of Georgia	1968
Emma Jean Brock Bailie	B.S.	Valdosta State College	1974
James Edward Bing, Jr.	B.S.	Savannah State College	1972
Idonia M. Butler	B.S.	Savannah State College	1964
Rita Williamson Butler	B.S.	Armstrong State College	1973
Pollyann J. Kirk Diamond	B.S.	Gettysburg College	1968
Susan Mack Eswine	B.S.	Georgia Southern College	1975
William Ernest Eswine	B.S.	Armstrong State College	1972
Sandra Pearl Hicks	B.S.	Savannah State College	1975
Judith Eure Kandel	B.S.	Georgia Southern College	1960
*Kerry Prentice Kicklighter	A.B.	Atlantic Christian	1951
Isaac Miller	B.S.	Savannah State College	1976
*Anita Schwartzman Odrezin	B.A.	University of Georgia	1950
Mary Cynthia Coffey Smith	B.S.	Armstrong State College	1970
Valerie Johnson Wagoner	B.S.	University of Georgia	1974

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN ENGLISH

Patricia O. Williams	B.A. Armstrong State College	1973
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MASTER OF EDUCATION IN SPECIAL EDUCATION - BEHAVIOR DISORDERS

Tom Chisholm, Jr.	B.S. Savannah State College	1974
Marva Euleta Harris	B.S. Savannah State College	1967
Thomas D. Miles	B.S. East Tennessee State University	1971
Gloria Fay Wright.	B.A. South Eastern Bible College	1975

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN HISTORY

Beatrice Herrin Asbury	B.S. Georgia Southern College	1968
Leona Ruth Frye	B.S. Savannah State College	1965
Thomas Linder Fulton, Jr.	A.B. Emory University	1948
Deloris P. Gaulden	A.B. Talladega College	1965
Lindsey Patterson Henderson, Jr.	B.A. University of Virginia	1952
Joseph Hopkins.	B.S. Savannah State College	1976
Mobley Preacher Toro	A.B. Mercer College	1951

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN MATHEMATICS

Olive Westberry Conlin	B.S. Stetson University	1964
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MASTER OF EDUCATION IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

*Lonnie Williams, Jr.	B.S. Savannah State College	1973
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SAVANNAH STATE COLLEGE
HONOR GRADUATES
JUNE 4, 1978

SUMMA CUM LAUDE (3.750 - 4.000)

Veda Burns
Anita Jackson
Kelly White

MAGNA CUM LAUDE (3.400 - 3.749)

Vera Burns
Roy Cox
Leonard B. Jones
Marva Lee
Sheila A. McClure
Melba Robertson
Albert Roughen

CUM LAUDE (3.000 - 3.399)

Lawrence Ballard
Renty O. Boatright
Samuel Campbell
Sheila Cobb
Gerald Crawford
E. L. Stephen Emmett
Betty Fields
Articia Futch
Mary E. Greatheart
Jesse A. Hall
Ava C. Herring
Steve Horton
Jacquelyn Jackson
Cynthia James
Byron Johnson
Beryl W. Jones
David Kenny
Ray C. Lane
Sheryl Miller
Darryl Morrow
Virginia Mumford
Allynne Owens
Miriam R. Pelote
Carol R. Plummer
Michael J. Rusden
Eugenia Sams
Lawana Sermons
Cheryl Smith
Vera Smith
Betsy Thomas
Deborah Williams
Etta H. Williams
Malvina Williams
Garry C. Wright

MEMBERS OF ALPHA KAPPA MU NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

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Sheila McClure
Nguyen Nhuong
Melba Robertson
Albert H. Roughen
James E. Smith
Walker Stringer
Betsy Thomas
Kelly White

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SCIENTIFIC HONOR SOCIETY

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Gary Wright

MEMBERS OF KAPPA DELTA PI
HONOR SOCIETY

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Jesse Hall
Ava C. Herring
Marva Lee
Virginia Mumford
Melba Robertson
Eugenia Sams
Malvenia Wilson

MEMBERS OF SIGMA TAU DELTA HONOR SOCIETY

Carol R. Plummer

MEMBERS OF PI GAMMA MU
NATIONAL SOCIAL SCIENCES HONOR SOCIETY

Allynne Tosca Owens
Cheryl Smith

SAVANNAH STATE COLLEGE HYMN

*Let us give thanks and praise to Thee,
To our Alma Mater, S.S.C.
Thine honor, pride, and eminence,
We raise in prayerful reverence.*

*Guide us still from day to day,
Be Thou mindful lest we lose our way;
Help us know that life, short or long,
Means unceasing work for weak and strong.*

REFRAIN

*Where Savannah meets the sea,
Where grassy plains and palms abound,
Where the flow'rs are gems of loveliness,
There S.S.C. is found.
We adore each beauteous scene and hall,
Our all we pledge to Thee!
In our hearts we'll build a shrine for Thee.
We hail Thee, S.S.C.*

—J. Randolph Fisher
Hillary Hatchett

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1978 Summer School July 12 - August 18
1978 Fall Quarter Freshmen, September 18
Upperclassmen, September 22

ACADEMIC COSTUMES

Modern academic dress has evolved from a type of apparel prescribed by English Medieval Universities to distinguish their schools from the lay person in dress at a time when everybody wore robes or gowns. When American colleges and universities desired to adopt some suitable system of academic apparel a half century ago it seemed best to agree on some definite system which all might follow. Accordingly, this attire has consisted of the cap, the gown, and the hood, the latter two now differing according to the degree the wearer has received.

The modern cap, in academic dress has the same design for all degrees; black and square-shaped with a tassel hanging from the center. However, the color of the tassel usually differentiates the field of study for which the degree was granted, the gold tassel being worn by doctors or by presidents of colleges and universities; but it may be added that the black tassel is correct for all degrees.

The gown, unlike the cap, differs appreciably in design according to the degree conferred on the wearer. The gown for the bachelor's degree has pointed sleeves. It is designed to be worn closed. The gown for the master's degree, worn open or closed has an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist, like the others. The sleeve base hangs down in the traditional manner. The rear part of its oblong shape is square cut and the front part has an arc cut away. The doctor's gown, worn open or closed, has long sleeves faced with velvet; three bars of velvet are midway the sleeves. The trimmings of the doctor's gown may be black or the color associated with the field of study.

The hood, while not an article of dress, is, however, the most distinctive feature of the academic attire. It is a black, crow-shaped badge or adornment with an oval opening and worn down the back. It enables one to quickly determine not only the degree held by the wearer but also the college or university from which he is graduated. The colors lining the hood and the size and shape of the hood make this distinction. The bachelor's and master's hoods are three feet and three and a half feet in length, respectively; the doctor's hood is four feet in length and is made with a wide panel. Hoods may be worn for only those degrees actually held by the wearers.

Members of the governing body of a college or university, and they only, whatever their degrees may be, are entitled to wear doctor's gowns (with black velvet), but their hoods may be only those of degrees actually held by the wearers or those especially prescribed for them by the institution.

In some colleges and universities, it is customary for the president, chancellor, or chief officer to wear a costume similar to that worn by the head of a foreign university.

The chief marshal may wear a specially designed costume approved by the institution.

For all academic purposes, including trimmings of doctor's gowns, edging of hoods, and tassels of caps, the color associated with different subjects as prescribed by the revised American Intercollegiate Code is as follows:

Agriculture	Maise
Arts, Letters, Humanities	White
Business	Drab
Economics	Copper
Education	Light Blue
Law	Purple
Library Science	Lemon
Music	Pink
Oratory—(Speech)	Silver Gray
Philosophy	Dark Blue
Physical Education	Sage Green
Science	Golden Yellow
Theology	Scarlet

At Savannah State College, the lining of the hood has an orange chevron on a blue background to represent school colors. A faculty member wears the color of his alma mater.

